NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970 (CEQA),¹ ther State CEQA Guidelines,² and the Kern County Water Agency Guidelines for Implementation of CEQA Guidelines,³ the Kern County Water Agency (KCWA) has made an Initial Study of the possible environmental impacts of the following described project.

LEAD AGENCY: Kern County Water Agency

APPLICANT: Not applicable

NAME OF PROJECT: Improvement District No. 3 (ID3), Kelso Valley Property Purchase

PROJECT LOCATION: Weldon, east of Lake Isabella area of Kern County

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED PROJECT: See attached Initial Study.

MITIGATION MEASURES: None

FINDINGS: This project as proposed will not have a significant impact on the environment as evidenced by the Initial Study. The project will provide long-term benefits to the local and regional environment by removing the residential housing from the project site, thus returning the area to a more natural environmental setting. Removing the levee will restore the cyclic flooding that historically occurred to the lands protected by the said levee.

PUBLIC INQUIRY:

Any person may object to dispensing with such EIR or respond to the findings herein, Information relating to the proposed project is on file in the office of the Kern County Water Agency at the address shown above. Any person wishing to examine or obtain a copy of that information or this document, or seeking information as to the time and manner to so object or respond, may do so by inquiring at said office during regular business hours.

PROPOSED NEGATIVE DECLARATION DATE: [To be determined]

NEGATIVE DECLARATION REVIEW PERIOD ENDS: [To be determined]

AGENCY CONSULTATION REQUIRED: X Yes No

¹ Public Resources Code 21000, et seq.

² Title 13, Division 6, California Administrative Code, as amended.

³ Resolution 25-84, adopted October 25, 1988, as amended.

Preserve.	nt of Fish and Game, South Fork
STATE CLEARING HOUSE NUMBER (if required	d):
INITIAL STUDY: A copy of the Initial Study and environmental check is attached.	list prepared by KCWA staff, dated,
CONTACT PERSON, TELEPHONE NUMBER: M County Water Agency, P.O. Box 58, 93302; (661) 63 information regarding this proposed Project, please of Water Agency, (661) 634-1468; email: ktotzke@kcv	34-1400. If you require additional contact Mr. Kane Totzke, Kern County
Thomas N. Clark, General Manager	Date

KERN COUNTY WATER AGENCY Environmental Checklist/Initial Study Form [for CEQA Guidelines section 15162 determination]

1. Project title: Improvement District	No. 3 (ID3), Kelso Valley Property Purc	hase Project
2. Lead agency name and address:		
Kern County Water Agency P.O. Box 58 3200 Rio Mirada Drive Bakersfield CA 93302-0058		
3. Contact person and phone numb	oer: Thomas N. Clark, General Manage	r, 661-634-1400
4. Project location: Weldon, east of	Lake Isabella area of Kern County (see	map in Project Description).
5. Project sponsor's name and add	ress: Same as lead agency.	
6. Description of project: Please see	e attachment "A", Project Description	
7. General plan designation and zo	ning: See Appendix "D" Zoning Designa	ation
area in the Lake Isabella area. ID3is be Other surrounding land users include lands consisting of natural open space are located just north of ID3.	ng: Generally, Improvement District No. ordered by the Kelso Creek levee on the agriculture to the north and northwest. The Hanning and Powers tracts, two	east which provides flood protection. To the east lies undesignated public small unincorporated developments
9. Other public agencies whose app No. 3	proval is required: Department of Wat	er Resources, Improvement District
ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS POTE The environmental factors checked be that is a "Potentially Significant Impact	NTIALLY AFFECTED: low would be potentially affected by this I " as indicated by the checklist on the fol	Project, involving at least one impact lowing pages.
X Aesthetics	Agriculture Resources	X Resources Air Quality
Biological Resources	Cultural Resources	Geology /Soils
X Hazards & Hazardous Materials	X Hydrology / Water Quality	Land Use/ Planning
Mineral Resources	Noise	X Population / Housing
Public Services	Recreation	Transportation/Traffic
Utilities / Service Systems	Mandatory Findings of Significance	e

DETE	RMINATION: (To be completed by the Lead Ag	gency)
On the	e basis of this initial evaluation:	
	I find that the proposed project COULD NOT h DECLARATION will be prepared.	ave a significant effect on the environment, and a NEGATIVE
x		have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be sions in the project have been made by or agreed to by the DECLARATION will be prepared.
	I find that the proposed project MAY have a significant significan	nificant effect on the environment, and an ENVIRONMENTAL
	mitigated" impact on the environment, but at le document pursuant to applicable legal standar	potentially significant impact" or "potentially significant unlesseast one effect 1) has been adequately analyzed in an earlieds, and 2) has been addressed by mitigation measures based ched sheets. An ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is that remain to be addressed.
	potentially significant effects (a) have be DECLARATION pursuant to applicable stands	Id have a significant effect on the environment, because all sen analyzed adequately in earlier EIR or NEGATIVE ards, and (b) have been avoided or mitigated pursuant to the CLARATION, including revisions or mitigation measures thating further is required.
Thom	as N. Clark	Date
Gener	al Manager	
Kern	County Water Agency	
Printe	d Name	For

EVALUATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS:

- A brief explanation is required for all answers except "No Impact" answers that are adequately supported by the information sources a lead agency cites in the parentheses following each question. A "No Impact" answer is adequately supported if the referenced information sources show that the impact simply does not apply to projects like the one involved (e.g., the project falls outside a fault rupture zone). A "No Impact" answer should be explained where it is based on project-specific factors as well as general standards (e.g., the project will not expose sensitive receptors to pollutants, based on a project-specific screening analysis).
- 2) All answers must take account of the whole action involved, including off-site as well as on-site, cumulative as well as project-level, indirect as well as direct, and construction as well as operational impacts.
- Once the lead agency has determined that a particular physical impact may occur, then the checklist answers must indicate whether the impact is potentially significant, less than significant with mitigation, or less than significant. "Potentially Significant Impact" is appropriate if there is substantial evidence that an effect may be significant. If there are one or more "Potentially Significant Impact" entries when the determination is made, an EIR is required.
- "Negative Declaration: Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated" applies where the incorporation of mitigation measures has reduced an effect from "Potentially Significant Impact" to a "Less Than Significant Impact." The lead agency must describe the mitigation measures, and briefly explain how they reduce the effect to a less than significant level (mitigation measures from Section XVII, "Earlier Analyses," may be cross-referenced).
- Earlier analyses may be used where, pursuant to the tiering, program EIR, or other CEQA process, an effect has been adequately analyzed in an earlier EIR or negative declaration. Section 15063(c)(3)(D). In this case, a brief discussion should identify the following:
 - a) Earlier Analysis Used. Identify and state where they are available for review.
 - b) Impacts Adequately Addressed. Identify which effects from the above checklist were within the scope of and adequately analyzed in an earlier document pursuant to applicable legal standards, and state whether such effects were addressed by mitigation measures based on the earlier analysis.
 - c) Mitigation Measures. For effects that are "Less than Significant with Mitigation Measures Incorporated," describe the mitigation measures which were incorporated or refined from the earlier document and the extent to which they address site-specific conditions for the project.
- 6) Lead agencies are encouraged to incorporate into the checklist references to information sources for potential impacts (e.g., general plans, zoning ordinances). Reference to a previously prepared or outside document should, where appropriate, include a reference to the page or pages where the statement is substantiated.
- 7) Supporting Information Sources: A source list should be attached, and other sources used or individuals contacted should be cited in the discussion.
- 8) This is only a suggested form, and lead agencies are free to use different formats; however, lead agencies should normally address the questions from this checklist that are relevant to a project's environmental effects in whatever format is selected.
- 9) The explanation of each issue should identify:
 - a) the significance criteria or threshold, if any used to evaluate each question; and
 - b) the mitigation measure identified, if any, to reduce the impact to less than significance-

Environmental Checklist:

	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impac
I. AESTHETICS Would the project:				
a) Have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista?				⊠+
b) Substantially damage scenic resources, including, but not limited to, trees, rock outcroppings, and historic buildings within a state scenic highway?				⊠
c) Substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of the site and its surroundings?				×
d) Create a new source of substantial light or glare which would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area?				Ø
II. AGRICULTURE RESOURCES In determining whether impacts to agricultural resources are significant environmental effects, lead agencies may refer to the California Agricultural Land Evaluation and Site Assessment Model (1997) prepared by the California Dept. of Conservation as an optional model to use in assessing impacts on agriculture and farmland. Would the project:				
a) Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance (Farmland), as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to non-agricultural use?				×
b) Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act contract?				⊠
c) Involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of Farmland, to non-agricultural use?	§. □			×
III. AIR QUALITY Where available, the significance criteria established by the applicable air quality management or air pollution control district may be relied upon to make the following determinations. Would the project:				
a) Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan?				⊠
b) Violate any air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation?			×	

	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
c) Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard (including releasing emissions which exceed quantitative thresholds for ozone precursors)?				⊠
d) Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations?				⊠
e) Create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people?				×
IV. BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES Would the project:				
a) Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?				⊠
b) Have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, regulations or by the California Department of Fish and Game or US Fish and Wildlife Service?				×
c) Have a substantial adverse effect on federally protected wetlands as defined by Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means?		<u> </u>		Ø
d) Interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites?				⊠
e) Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance?				×
f) Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan?				⊠
V. CULTURAL RESOURCES Would the project:				
a) Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource as defined in §15064.5?				×

	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
b) Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to §15064.5?	0			×
c) Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource or site or unique geologic feature?				×
d) Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries?				×
VI. GEOLOGY AND SOILS Would the project:				
a) Expose people or structures to potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or death involving:				×
i) Rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map issued by the State Geologist for the area or based on other substantial evidence of a known fault? Refer to Division of Mines and Geology Special Publication 42.				×
ii) Strong seismic ground shaking?				×
iii) Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction?				⊠
iv) Landslides?				⊠
b) Result in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil?				⊠
c) Be located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable, or that would become unstable as a result of the project, and potentially result in onor off-site landslide, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction or collapse?				×
d) Be located on expansive soil, as defined in Table 18-1-B of the Uniform Building Code (1994), creating substantial risks to life or property?			0	×
e) Have soils incapable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks or alternative waste water disposal systems where sewers are not available for the disposal of waste water?				×

VII. HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS -- Would the project:

	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials?				⊠
b) Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment?		⊠		
c) Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school?				⊠
d) Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment?	0			⊠
e) For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?				⊠
f) For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?				Ø
g) Impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?				⊠
h) Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving wildland fires, including where wildlands are adjacent to urbanized areas or where residences are intermixed with wildlands?	0			
VIII. HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY Would the project:				
a) Violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements?				⊠
b) Substantially deplete groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that there would be a net deficit in aquifer volume or a lowering of the local groundwater table level (e.g., the production rate of pre-existing nearby wells would drop to a level which would not support existing land uses or planned uses for which permits have been granted)?				⊠

	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
c) Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, in a manner which would result in substantial erosion or siltation on- or off-site?				⊠+
d) Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, or substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner which would result in flooding on- or off-site?		⊠		
e) Create or contribute runoff water which would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage systems or provide substantial additional sources of polluted runoff?				×
f) Otherwise substantially degrade water quality?				Ø
g) Place housing within a 100-year flood hazard area as mapped on a federal Flood Hazard Boundary or Flood Insurance Rate Map or other flood hazard delineation map?				⊠+
h) Place within a 100-year flood hazard area structures which would impede or redirect flood flows?				⊠+
i) Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving flooding, including flooding as a result of the failure of a levee or dam?				⊠+
j) Inundation by seiche, tsunami, or mudflow?				×
IX. LAND USE AND PLANNING - Would the project:				
a) Physically divide an established community?				⊠
b) Conflict with any applicable land use plan, policy, or regulation of an agency with jurisdiction over the project (including, but not limited to the general plan, specific plan, local coastal program, or zoning ordinance) adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect?				×
c) Conflict with any applicable habitat conservation plan or natural community conservation plan?				⊠
X. MINERAL RESOURCES Would the project:				

	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region and the residents of the state?		-		⊠
b) Result in the loss of availability of a locally-important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan or other land use plan?				⊠
XI. NOISE Would the project result in:				
a) Exposure of persons to or generation of noise levels in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies?				⊠
b) Exposure of persons to or generation of excessive groundborne vibration or groundborne noise levels?				⊠
c) A substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?				⊠
d) A substantial temporary or periodic increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?				×
e) For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels?				×
f) For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels?				⊠
XII. POPULATION AND HOUSING Would the project:				
a) Induce substantial population growth in an area, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure)?		<u>'</u> □	⊠	
b) Displace substantial numbers of existing housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?		⊠		
c) Displace substantial numbers of people, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?		⊠		

XIII. PUBLIC SERVICES

	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Would the project result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for any of the public services:				⊠
Fire protection?				×
Police protection?				×
Schools?		-		⊠
Parks?				⊠
Other public facilities?				×
XIV. RECREATION				
a) Would the project increase the use of existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facility would occur or be accelerated?				×
b) Does the project include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment?				⊠
XV. TRANSPORTATION/TRAFFIC Would the project:				
a) Cause an increase in traffic which is substantial in relation to the existing traffic load and capacity of the street system (i.e., result in a substantial increase in either the number of vehicle trips, the volume to capacity ratio on roads, or congestion at intersections)?				⊠
b) Exceed, either individually or cumulatively, a level of service standard established by the county congestion management agency for designated roads or highways?			- 🗇	⊠
c) Result in a change in air traffic patterns, including either an increase in traffic levels or a change in location that results in substantial safety risks?				⊠

	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than. Significant Impact	No Impact
d) Substantially increase hazards due to a design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g., farm equipment)?				×
e) Result in inadequate emergency access?				⊠
f) Result in inadequate parking capacity?				×
g) Conflict with adopted policies, plans, or programs supporting alternative transportation (e.g., bus turnouts, bicycle racks)?				×
XVI. UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS Would the project:				
a) Exceed wastewater treatment requirements of the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board?				⊠
b) Require or result in the construction of new water or wastewater treatment facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?			⊠	
c) Require or result in the construction of new storm water drainage facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?				Ø
d) Have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project from existing entitlements and resources, or are new or expanded entitlements needed?				⊠
e) Result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider which serves or may serve the project that it has adequate capacity to serve the projects projected demand in addition to the providers existing commitments?				⊠
f) Be served by a landfill with sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the projects solid waste disposal needs?				⊠
g) Comply with federal, state, and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste?				⊠

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XVII.	MANDATORY	FINDINGS OF	SIGNIFICANCE
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a) Does the project have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory?		⊠
b) Does the project have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? ("Cumulatively considerable" means that the incremental effects of a project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects)?		×
c) Does the project have environmental effects which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?	⊠	

LIST OF REFERENCES AND SUPPORTING FACTUAL BASES

- 1 Kern Council of Governments, Demographic Characteristics for Improvement District No. 3, Personal Comm, Robert Brummett, Executive Director, January 2003. See Attachment "A", Project Description.
- 2 Appendix "A", Biological Assessment.
- 3 Appendix "B", Cultural Resources Record Search.
- Appendix "C", Multiply Listing Service for the Kern River Valley, <u>www.southern-sierra.com</u>, dated January 2003; email from Tom Poplowski, Southern Sierra Properties, dated January 27, 2003.

Response to Checklist:

- AESTHETICS. Response to a) through d) Since the project proposal is a permanent property purchase buy out, the aesthetics will be an improvement over the existing condition. The natural scenic resource value will be restored by removal and cleanup of mobile home sites.
- II <u>AGRICULTURAL RESOURCES.</u> Response to a) through c) Since this project only addresses removal and restoration of an existing mobile home park, there will be no negative impacts to surrounding land uses, including agricultural activity.
- AIR QUALITY. Response to a), c), d) & e) Its not anticipated that during removal of existing structures any air quality impacts will result above existing conditions, i.e., driving on unpaved roads, lot maintenance, etc. Response to b). During removal of existing structures areas proposed for ground disturbing activities and unpaved roads will be wetted to reduce and minimize dust to less than a significant level.
- BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES. Response to a) through f) This project proposes a property buyout. As such, no impacts to biological resources are expected to occur. On the contrary pursuant the biological consultant for the project, there will be wildlife benefits as a result of implementing the project. In 1980, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service identified Kelso Creek as one of California's top habitat protection opportunities (Audubon 2002). This section of Kelso Creek is part of the most heavily used avian Spring migration corridor in the Sierra Nevada. It helps link the South Fork of the Kern River, a Globally important Bird Area with Butterbredt Canyon, a Nationally Important Bird Area (Audubon 2002). The removal of the present development and preservation of relatively undisturbed portions of the project area would reduce the threat of wildlife predation by dogs and other domestic animals that presently run free in the area. The proposed buy-out would also allow for the removal of noxious non-native trees like Salt Cedar presently growing in the development that could threaten down stream riparian areas along the Kern River in the future. For additional information please refer to the Appendix "A", Biological Assessment, prepared by Mr. William Vanherweg, dated January 2003.
- V <u>CULTURAL RESOURCES.</u> Response to a) through d) -Please refer Appendix "C", Cultural Resources Record Search prepared by the Southern San Joaquin Valley Information Center, California State University, Bakersfield, dated February 3, 2003.
- VI <u>GEOLOGY AND SOILS.</u> Response to a) through e) The project is not proposing any activity that would be impact by geology and soils. Removal of existing structures would reduce future risk do to earthquake and seismic activity.
- VII HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS. Response to all except b) The project proposes to purchase unimproved and improved properties located within ID3, on a willing seller basis. Once the mobile homes and appurtenances are moved from the site, the remaining area will be cleaned-up and restored to level that will allow the levee to be removed. Once the levee is removed, the area would be subject to periodic flooding by Kelso Creek. Response to b) Once the mobile homes have been removed, such other facilities as septic systems, trash piles, small on site fuel tanks will be removed and the site re-mediated where required to a level where hazards and hazardous materials will be reduced to a level of less than significant.
- HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY. Response to all except j) Much of the proposed project action may have a positive impact on hydrology and water quality. Removing the mobile homes along with the septic systems that support the residents will eliminate potential future problems with water quality concerns associated around septic systems. This project will reduce the risk of the residents of ID3 being subject to future flooding events. The only structure that separates the ID3 residents from flooding is a levee. Historically this levee has failed the flood waters have caused property damage. The 1983 flood was a prime example of the levee being breeched. Removing the mobile homes would be a positive benefit because flooding of improved property would no longer be an issue. Response to d) Once the site has been cleaned-up and any necessary re-mediation completed, the levee will be removed. This action will allow water during a rain event when Kelso Creek is flowing to spread out over a greater area, allowing more opportunity time for the water to reduce velocity and dissipate energy. This will reduce the down stream impacts to landowners.

- LAND USE AND PLANNING. Response to a) through c) This project as proposed will not divide an existing community nor conflict with any applicable land use plan, policy or regulation adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect. It may however, benefit the established South Fork Preserve, which is home to the listed Southwestern Willow Flycatcher and the sensitive Yellow-billed Cuckoo. As described under item IV, Biological Resources.
- X MINERAL RESOURCES. Response to a) and b) This project will have no impact to mineral resources.
- NOISE. Response to a) through f) This project may have a short term increase in noise levels during removal of mobile homes. But the noise level is not expected to create and cause any impacts to people and wildlife, because of the nature of the activity is limited to moving structure off-site as opposed to a more intense activity such as constructing new residences or commercial building.
- POPULATION AND HOUSING. Response to a) This project will not induce population growth but may shift demographic characteristics by former residents relocating to new areas. Response to b) and c) Since this will displace all 128 residences, new housing accommodations will be required. According to latest residential listing in the Kern Valley area, there were 153 mobile and homes for sale in January 2003. This would provide for all displaced residents to relocate in the same general vicinity with out the need to construct new housing. Additional information please refer to Appendix "B", Population and Housing.
- XIII <u>PUBLIC SERVICES.</u> Response to a) Since this project would be a shift in demographics rather than an increase, public services in the Kern River Valley would be minimally impacted depending on where to residents relocated.
- XIV <u>RECREATION.</u> Response to a) and b) No impacts to recreational use are anticipated from implementation of this project. Since the primary recreational activity is centered around Lake Isabella, relocating to other communities within the Kern River Valley area would not increase recreational use of the Lake.
- XV <u>TRANSPORTATION AND TRAFFIC.</u> Response to a) through f) Since only a shift in demographics from one area to another is expected as a result of this project, no impacts to transportation or traffic are anticipated.
- XVI <u>UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS.</u> Response to a) though g) This project as proposed will not have any impacts to utilities and service systems except to the extent that services will shift from one area to another. However, these shifts will be less than significant.

IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. #3, KELSO VALLEY PROPERTY PURCHASE

ATTACHMENT "A"

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 3 of the KERN COUNTY WATER AGENCY for the

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE KELSO CREEK LEVEES

Improvement District No. 3 of the Kern County Water Agency ("Agency") is seeking funding to reduce or eliminate the existing private property improvements and thereby reduce or eliminate the potential flood damages and downstream liability, and at the same time enhance and expand a significant wildlife corridor.

BACKGROUND

The following is a selected chronology which is designed to provide background information relevant to the subject funding request:

 Tract 2357 approved by the County of Kern, conditioned on construction of a two-foot berm at the southwest corner of the tract to protect it from flooding from Kelso Creek.

1966 and 1969 - Berm built in 1960 destroyed by flows in Kelso Creek.

- Corps of Engineers approved restoration of berm approved in 1970.
- 1970 Improvement District No. 3 formed by the Agency to maintain levee to be constructed by Corps.
 - Levee and channel constructed. Stated design capacity of levee was 2,500 cfs. The channel and levee would benefit approximately 575 acres.
- 1976 Large flood in excess of design capacity. No damage to residential property, but severe damage to levee.
 - Corps rebuilt levee.

- 1978 Another major flood in excess of design capacity; still no damage to residential property, but major damage to project.
 - Flood control improvements rebuilt with Federal Disaster Assistance Administration funds.
- 1983 Levee damaged by flows in Kelso Creek.
 - FEMA funds used to pay for repairs.
- 1987 A lawsuit by a downstream property owner (i.e., outside of the Improvement District) as a result of the 1983 flood was decided. The court made a finding that the levee diverted flows from its natural drainage course, depositing excess silt onto downstream lands and causing damage to crops and land.
- 1988 The Agency engaged the services of Alliance Appraisal to establish a current market valuation for ID-3; valuation \$3 million dollars.
- 1995 Flows in Kelso Creek damaged a portion of the levee system and adjacent farmland.
- 1998 Flows in Kelso Creek resulted in damages to the Kelso Creek levee system.
 - Purchased 20 acres at the north end of the project to allow flood flows to spread out before leaving the Improvement District.
 - Downstream landowners expressed concern about future damages to residential and farm land if sediment continues to accumulate downstream of levee.
- 1999 Levee restoration work completed with funding from the Natural Resources Conservation Service.
 - Work completed to add cement grout to a portion of the riprap on levee (just upstream of Cottontail Lane).

2000 - Remainder of riprap (just upstream of Cottontail Lane) grouted in place with cement.

DESCRIPTION OF EXISTING FLOOD CONTROL IMPROVEMENTS

The Kelso Creek Channel and Levee were constructed by the County of Kern and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, extending northward about 13,000 feet from a point in the northeast quarter of Section 5, Township 27 South, Range 35 East, MDB&M, just north of the Kelso Valley Road crossing of the Kelso Creek channel. The Agency provided the right-of-way and made certain relocations, and has operated and maintained the channel and levee since 1970. The levee has a top width of about 14 feet and stream side slopes of three horizontal to one vertical (3:1). The average height of the levee is five feet above natural ground. Concrete lining and riprap have been placed on portions of the stream side of the levee as funds became available to protect against erosion resulting from storm flows. The channel was designed to carry approximately 2,500 cfs with no significant damages within the area of benefit. The project benefits about 575 acres in the existing Improvement District; about 260 acres subdivided to "ranchettes" (with about 130 dwellings), about 125 acres developed to agricultural uses, and 190 acres of rangeland (reference the attached figure).

THE PROBLEMS

- Difficult to fund O&M costs of existing flood control improvements owing to:
 - Flood control improvements which are easily damaged by the flow of water in Kelso Creek, thereby requiring costly repairs.
 - Relatively small number of property owners with relatively low assessed valuation of the benefited properties.
 - High number of low income and retired residents can't afford to pay for levee improvements.
 - Legislation which has limited the Improvement District's ability to collect revenue

- Inadequate protection afforded by existing flood control improvements (less than 25-year runoff event) and assessed valuation would not likely support economic feasibility of any material improvement in the level of protection (based on past studies).
- Liability respecting downstream properties, i.e., outside of the Improvement District.

PROJECT CONCEPT FOR GRANT FUNDING

Reduce potential flood damages by (1) purchasing unimproved properties to eliminate the possibility of future development, (2) purchasing improved properties and removing structural improvements, and (3) purchasing flood easements from owners of remaining improved properties. This concept includes "abandonment" of existing flood control improvements, with the attendant elimination of downstream liability, and dissolution of the Improvement District. However, the levee would not be abandoned until sales or easements have reached at least 70 percent of improved (or occupied) property and 50 percent of unimproved property. The goal is to accomplish this within seven years after Project commencement.

Purchase Unimproved Properties

Unimproved properties would be purchased to eliminate the possibility of future development. The proposed conditions of such purchases include the following:

- All sales voluntary.
- Seller receives "fair market value" based on a date prior to this information being made public; value would then be unaffected by the announcement.

Purchase Improved Properties

Improved properties would be purchased from those residents of improved properties who choose to sell and relocate. The proposed conditions of such purchases include the following:

- All sales voluntary.
- Seller receives "fair market value" based on a date prior to this information being made public; value would then be unaffected by the announcement.
- All liens must be paid off by seller.
- Improvements will be removed within six months of the property being vacated.
- Two plans are proposed under this option; <u>Plan 1</u> -- Sell and move within one year of selling; <u>Plan 2</u> -- Sell and remain in occupancy longer than one year, but no later than six months prior to the date for levee abandonment.

<u>Plan 1</u> would include the following provisions:

- Seller to receive (on date property vacated) an allowance for moving expenses equal to ten percent of sale price, subject to a maximum of \$3,000 and a minimum of \$1,500. The allowance would be \$500 in the case of tenants in rentals.
- Property must be vacated within one year.

<u>Plan 2</u> would include the following provisions:

- No allowance for moving expenses to be paid under this plan.
- Seller receives a year-to-year lease which is renewable until six months before scheduled abandonment of levee.
- Lease is not assignable; no subletting allowed.
- Lease price is advance payment of all assessed taxes for each year of occupancy. The necessary amount to pay taxes until estimated levee abandonment will be withheld from purchase price. If the seller vacates earlier, the unused tax money will be refunded.

 Seller/Lessee is responsible for any maintenance, including habitability items. The buyer/agency/lessor is not responsible for any maintenance. If property becomes uninhabitable, and lessee is unwilling to pay for corrections, lessee must vacate property.

Advantages to the seller include the following:

- The seller's net will be increased by about six percent because there will be no real estate commission to pay.
- The sellers won't have to carry any financing for the buyer. This would be a
 necessary sale condition for most of the properties in the subdivision, because
 bank financing is rarely available for these properties.
- The seller will have plenty of time to find a replacement home without the pressure of escrow closings. This will increase the chances of achieving advantageous terms.
- With the commission savings and the allowance for moving expenses, the seller's net usable cash will be increased by approximately ten percent over a conventional sale.
- Under Plan 2, the seller would receive the purchase price and could remain in the property for five to seven years. The money could be invested which would increase the final net when it is time to relocate.

Purchase Flood Easements

Flood easements and a release of liability would be purchased from those residents of improved properties who choose not to sell and relocate. The proposed conditions of such purchases include the following:

- All sales voluntary.
- Seller receives 50 percent of "fair market value".

- Seller of easement must sign acceptance of liquidated damages and waiver of future liability for abandonment of levee.
- Transaction must be recorded, disclosed in any listing and title report, and disclosed to and accepted by the buyer in any future sale.

Advantages to the seller include the following:

- Money could be used to add flood proofing to the property or set aside to pay for possible future damages.
- Abandonment of the levee (which would include breaching the levee at several locations along its length) would allow flood waters from Chollo Canyon and Short Canyon to "escape" into the main channel of Kelso Creek, as opposed to being trapped and impounded by the levee in the area of the subdivision.
- Elimination of many neighboring structures (as a result of those owners of improved property who choose to sell and relocate) would reduce obstructions to future flood flows, thereby reducing water levels and attendant damages.

SUPPORTERS OF GRANT FUNDING REQUEST

- Citizens Advisory Committee (comprised of landowners within the Improvement District)
- Board of Directors of Kern County Water Agency.
- County of Kern
- Kern Valley Resource Conservation District
- Mojave Desert-Mountain Resource Conservation and Development Council
- Nature Conservancy/Audubon California
- Bureau of Land Management
- State Department of Fish and Game

Kern County Water Agency Improvement District No. 3

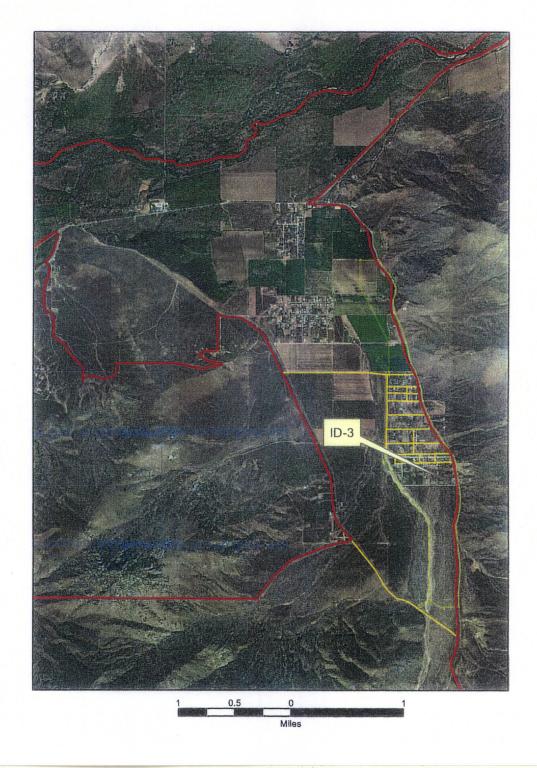
Demographic Characteristics

Kern County Water Agency - Improve Block Data - 100 Percent Que			. 3
Total Housing Units	1	128	100.0%
Occupied Housing Units	+	104	81.3%
Owner Occupied		84	65.6%
Renter Occupied		20	15.69
For Sale		7	5.5%
Rented or Sold - No Occupant		1	0.89
Recreational Use	1	11	8.69
Householder Race - Non Hispanic White	-	100	96.2%
Population in Housing Units	+	229	100.0%
Owned Units		183	79.9%
Rented Units	_	46	20.1%
Mean Median Age	-	50	
Households with Person Over 60 Years Old		52	50.0%
One Person Households with Person Over 60		15	14.4%
Source: 2000 Consus of Population and House	sing - S	ummary File 1	
Block Group (Sample)	Data		
100 Percent Population Count		792	
Median Houshold Income	\$	19,265	
Number of Households		360	100.0%
With Earnings		208	57.8%
With No Earnings		152	42.2%
Households Receiving Social Security		182	50.6%
Households Not Receiving Social Security		178	49.4%
Households with Retirement Income		60	16.7%

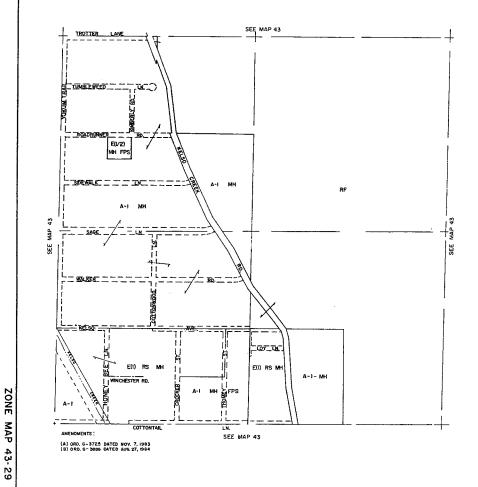
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ZONING MAP 43-29 (SEC.7297.6432 OF THE ORDINANCE CODE OF KERN COUNTY)

SEC.29, T.26S., R.35E. M.D.B. & M. CALIFORNIA

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES LEGEND

A-I E (1/4) (LIMITED AGRICULTURE) (ESTATE-1/4 ACRE) E (1/2) (ESTATE-1/2 ACRE) E(I) (ESTATE-I ACRE) E(2 \(\mu\)2) (ESTATE-2 I/2 ACRES) E (5) E (10) E (20) (ESTATE - 5 ACRES) (ESTATE - 10 ACRES) (ESTATE - 20 ACRES) (HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL) (LIGHT INDUSTRIAL) M-2 M-3 RF (MEDIUM INDUSTRIAL) (HEAVY INDUSTRIAL) (RECREATION-FORESTRY) OS NR (5) (OPEN SPACE) (OPEN SPACE)
(NATURAL RESOURCE-5 ACRES)
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(AIRPORT APPROACH HEIGHT COMBINING)

MAP 43-29

IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. #3, KELSO VALLEY PROPERTY PURCHASE

APPENDIX "A"

BIOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT

Biological Assessment

Introduction

The project area is adjacent to the Bureau of Land Management's Kiavah Wilderness Area and is approximately 2.5 miles south of Audubon's Kern River Preserve. In 1980, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service identified Kelso Creek as one of California's top habitat protection opportunities (Audubon 2002). This section of Kelso Creek is part of the most heavily used avian Spring migration corridor in the Sierra Nevada. It helps link the South Fork of the Kern River, a Globally important Bird Area with Butterbredt Canyon, a Nationally Important Bird Area (Audubon 2002). The removal of the present development and preservation of relatively undisturbed portions of the project area would reduce the threat of wildlife predation by dogs and other domestic animals that presently run free in the area . The proposed buy-out would also allow for the removal of noxious non-native trees like Salt Cedar presently growing in the development that could threaten down stream riparian areas along the Kern River in the future.

Environmental Setting

Properties upstream and west of the project area are generally undeveloped ranch land, land use immediately downstream from the site is irrigated agricultural land and lands to the east are BLM designated Wilderness area. None of the adjacent land uses would detract from habitat values of the site.

Most of the land targeted for acquisition lies in the secondary flood plain of Kelso Creek, a large portion of the plain is undeveloped Kern Joshua Tree (*Yucca brevifolia* var. *Herbertii*) Woodland that would require little or no restoration. The primary channel is also relatively undisturbed rabbitbrush scrub that is typical in desert washes.

Kelso Creek is a major flight corridor for migrating Turkey Vultures and many other migrating and resident sensitive bird species including burrowing owls (*Speotyto cunicularia*). The yellowed ear pocket mouse (*Perognathus parvus xanthonotus*) is a mammal unique to this very small area of northeastern Kern County.

Habitat Types

The Site presently has two habitat types rabbitbrush scrub and Kern Joshua tree woodland. Riparian woodland is also a possible habitat type for the area if restoration efforts are implemented. As we stated earlier the rabbitbrush scrub habitat is in the primary channel of Kelso Creek and the Joshua tree woodland exists in the upland areas and flood plain of the project site. The potential site of the riparian forest habitat type would be in the developed area of the project site where the Short Canyon drainage converges with Kelso Creek.

Species

The following table Contains a list of animals that could occur in the project's habitat types.

Species	Season of Use	WHR Habitat Type
REPTILES		
SOUTHWESTERN TOAD	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
RED-SPOTTED TOAD	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Desert scrub
CALIFORNIA TREEFROG	Yearlong	Desert Wash
BANDED GECKO	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
WESTERN FENCE LIZARD	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
SIDE-BLOTCHED LIZARD	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
CALIFORNIA HORNED		
LIZARD	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
DESERT NIGHT LIZARD	· Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
GILBERT'S SKINK	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
WESTERN WHIPTAIL	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
CALIFORNIA LEGLESS		
LIZARD	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Desert scrub
ROSY BOA	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
RINGNECK SNAKE	Yearlong	Desert scrub
SPOTTED LEAF-NOSED		
SNAKE	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
COACHWHIP	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
WESTERN PATCH-NOSED		
SNAKE	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
GLOSSY SNAKE	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
GOPHER SNAKE	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
COMMON KINGSNAKE	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
LONG-NOSED SNAKE	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
SOUTHWESTERN BLACK-		
HEADED SNAKE	Yearlong	Joshua tree, Desert scrub
LYRE SNAKE	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
NIGHT SNAKE	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
WESTERN RATTLESNAKE	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
BIRDS		
TURKEY VULTURE	Spring-Fall	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
OSPREY	Spring-Fall	Desert Wash, Desert scrub
NORTHERN HARRIER	Spring-Fall	Desert scrub
SHARP-SHINNED HAWK	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree
COOPER'S HAWK	Yearlong	Joshua tree
RED-TAILED HAWK	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
GOLDEN EAGLE	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
AMERICAN KESTREL	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub

BIRDS (cont.)	Season of Use	WHR Habitat Type
MERLIN	Spring-Fall	Desert Wash
PRAIRIE FALCON	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
CALIFORNIA QUAIL	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
MOUNTAIN QUAIL	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
MOURNING DOVE	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
GREATER ROADRUNNER	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
COMMON BARN OWL	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
WESTERN SCREECH OWL	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
GREAT HORNED OWL	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
BURROWING OWL	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
LONG-EARED OWL	Yearlong	Desert scrub
SHORT-EARED OWL	Spring-Fall	Joshua tree
LESSER NIGHTHAWK	Spring-Fall	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
COMMON POORWILL	Yearlong	Joshua tree, Desert scrub
WHITE-THROATED SWIFT	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
BLACK-CHINNED		
HUMMINGBIRD	Spring-Summer	Desert Wash
COSTA'S HUMMINGBIRD	Winter-Spring	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
ANNA'S HUMMINGBIRD	Fall-Winter	Joshua tree
RED-NAPED SAPSUCKER	Winter	Desert Wash, Joshua tree
LADDER-BACKED		Desert Wash, Joshua tree
WOODPECKER	Yearlong	
NORTHERN FLICKER	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
WESTERN FLYCATCHER	Spring-Fall	Desert Wash
ASH-THROATED		
FLYCATCHER	Spring-Summer	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
CASSIN'S KINGBIRD	Spring-Summer	Joshua tree
VIOLET-GREEN	0 ' 7 "	Joshua tree, Desert scrub
SWALLOW	Spring-Fall	
NORTHERN ROUGH-	0 : D II	D
WINGED SWALLOW	Spring-Fall	Desert Wash, Desert scrub
CLIFF SWALLOW	Spring-Fall	Desert scrub
COMMON RAVEN	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
VERDIN	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
ROCK WREN	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
BEWICK'S WREN	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
RUBY-CROWNED	Eall Combine	Decent Week Decent court
KINGLET	Fall-Spring	Desert Wash, Desert scrub
BLUE-GRAY	Eall Carina	Desert Wash
GNATCATCHER	Fall-Spring	
SWAINSON'S THRUSH	Spring	Desert Wash
HERMIT THRUSH	Fall-Spring	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
AMERICAN ROBIN	Fall-Spring	Desert Wash

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BIRDS (cont.)	Season of Use	WHR Habitat Type
NORTHERN		
MOCKINGBIRD	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
SAGE THRASHER	Fall-Spring	Desert scrub
LE CONTE'S THRASHER	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
PHAINOPEPLA	Yearlong	Desert Wash
LOGGERHEAD SHRIKE	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
EUROPEAN STARLING	Yearlong	Joshua tree
WARBLING VIREO	Fall-Spring	Desert Wash
ORANGE-CROWNED		
WARBLER	Spring-Fall	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
NASHVILLE WARBLER	Spring-Fall	Desert Wash
YELLOW WARBLER	Spring-Fall	Desert Wash, Joshua tree
YELLOW-RUMPED		Desert Wash, Joshua tree
WARBLER	Spring-Fall	
BLACK-THROATED GRAY		Desert Wash
WARBLER	Spring-Fall	
WILSON'S WARBLER	Spring-Fall	Desert Wash
LAZULI BUNTING	Spring-Fall	Joshua tree
GREEN-TAILED TOWHEE	Spring-Fall	Desert Wash, Desert scrub
RUFOUS-SIDED TOWHEE	Spring-Fall	Desert Wash
BREWER'S SPARROW	Spring-Fall	Desert scrub
SAGE SPARROW	Spring-Fall	Desert scrub
WHITE-CROWNED		
SPARROW	Spring-Fall	Desert Wash
SCOTT'S ORIOLE	Yearlong	Joshua tree, Desert scrub
HOUSE FINCH	Yearlong	Desert Wash
MAMMALS		
DESERT SHREW	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Desert scrub
LITTLE BROWN MYOTIS	Spring-Summer	Desert Wash, Desert scrub
YUMA MYOTIS	Spring-Fall	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
LONG-EARED MYOTIS	Spring-Fall	Desert Wash, Joshua tree
FRINGED MYOTIS	Spring-Summer	Desert Wash, Joshua tree
LONG-LEGGED MYOTIS	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
CALIFORNIA MYOTIS	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
SMALL-FOOTED MYOTIS	Spring-Fall	Joshua tree, Desert scrub
WESTERN PIPISTRELLE	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
BIG BROWN BAT	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
HOARY BAT	Spring-Fall	Joshua tree
SPOTTED BAT	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
TOWNSEND'S BIG-EARED		
BAT	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
PALLID BAT	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
BRAZILIAN FREE-TAILED		
BAT	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub

MAMMALS (cont.)	Season of Use	WHR Habitat Type
WESTERN MASTIFF BAT	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
DESERT COTTONTAIL	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
BLACK-TAILED HARE	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
MERRIAM'S CHIPMUNK	Yearlong	Joshua tree
CALIFORNIA GROUND		
SQUIRREL	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
YELLOW-EARED POCKET		
MOUSE	Yearlong	Joshua tree
PANAMINT KANGAROO		Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
RAT	Yearlong	
MERRIAM'S KANGAROO		Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
RAT	Yearlong	
WESTERN HARVEST		Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
MOUSE	Yearlong	
DEER MOUSE	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
CANYON MOUSE	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
BRUSH MOUSE	Yearlong	Joshua tree
PINYON MOUSE	Yearlong	Desert Wash
SOUTHERN		
GRASSHOPPER MOUSE	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Desert scrub
DESERT WOODRAT	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
COYOTE	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
GRAY FOX	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
RINGTAIL	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
LONG-TAILED WEASEL	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
BADGER	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
MOUNTAIN LION	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
BOBCAT	Yearlong	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub
MULE DEER	Fall-Spring	Desert Wash, Joshua tree, Desert scrub

Sensitive Species

There are no habitats designated as critical in the project area, however, there are a number of species that are considered sensitive and rare that potentially occur in the habitats of the project area, they include:

SPECIES

Yellow-eared pocket mouse Burrowing owl California horned lizard Prairie falcon Charlotte's phacelia Kelso Creek monkey flower

STATUS

BLM Sensitive
CDFG Species of Concern
CDFG & Fed. Species of Concern
CDFG Species of Concern
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All of these species would potentially benefit from the preservation and restoration efforts proposed by this project.

Impacts

The entire Kelso Creek drainage was classified as one of California's top habitat protection opportunities in a 1980 U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service inventory, *California's Important Fish and Wildlife Habitat*. The National Audubon Society-California is actively seeking to purchase a property upstream from the project area. The project area would be a link between Audubon's Kern River Preserve and this new property.

Habitat restoration would be in the developed area of the project site and would consist of the following procedures:

- 1. Removal of non-native noxious and ornamental tree and shrub species,
- 2. eliminate or decrease ground water pumping in the area to improve the relatively shallow water table to a depth that will support riparian forest.
- 3. planting of native cottonwood trees, adding to the existing cottonwoods to eventually form a small forest;
- 4. maintain existing Kern Joshua tree woodland and reintroduce this habitat type to upland portions of the flood plain.

The planned restoration and preservation of the lands contained in the project area are completely compatible with the land uses described above. The agricultural land north of the site will be an excellent buffer between the urban development of Weldon, CA. Removal of the flood protection levee and restoration of the natural flow of Kelso Creek through this area would be benefit the downstream agricultural lands by reducing flow velocity and the threat of erosion and sedimentation.

Ownership and management of the property will be turned over to an entity that specializes in managing and restoring natural preserves. Habitat values under expert stewardship will almost certainly increase. The removal of the present development and preservation of relatively undisturbed portions of the project area would reduce the threat of wildlife predation by dogs and other domestic animals that presently run free in the area. The proposed buy-out would also allow for the removal of noxious non-native trees like Tamarisk, presently

growing in the development, that could threaten down stream riparian areas along the Kern River in the future.

IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. #3, KELSO VALLEY PROPERTY PURCHASE

APPENDIX "B"

CULTURAL RESOURCES RECORD SEARCH

CALIFORNIA HISTORICAL RESOURCES INFORMATION SYSTEM



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TO:

Kane Totzke, Water Resources Planner

Kern County Water Agency

PO Box 58

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(RS# 03-028)

PRIORITY

DATE:

February 3, 2003

RE:

Improvement District No. 3, (ID3) Project, Kelso Valley, CA

CO:

Kern

MAP(s):

Cane Canyon, Onyx, Weldon, & Woolstalf Creek 7.5's

CULTURAL RESOURCES RECORDS SEARCH

The following are the results of a search of the cultural resources site record files at the Southern San Joaquin Valley Archaeological Information Center. These files include known and recorded archaeological and historic sites, inventory and excavation reports filed with this office, and properties listed on the National Register of Historic Places, The Historic Property Data File, (1/06/03), the California Register, the California Historical Landmarks, the California Inventory of Historic Resources and the California Points of Historic Interest.

PRIOR CULTURAL RESOURCE INVENTORIES WITHIN THE PROJECT AREA

According to the information on file in our office, there have been (4) four previous cultural resource surveys conducted within the project area, KE-552, 1962, 2469, & 2713. There have been (3) five surveys conducted within a $\frac{1}{2}$ mile radius, KE-138, 139, & 2155.

KNOWN/RECORDED CULTURAL RESOURCES WITHIN THE PROJECT AREA

There are no known recorded cultural resources within the project area, and it is not known if resources exist there. There is a large prehistoric-era archaeological site immediately adjacent to the project area, P-15-000023. The site is known as the Cholla Arroyo Rock Shelter, and its components included (2) rock shelters, (4) rock art panels, (4) grinding slick areas, (1) hearth, (1) human internment and (1) burial. The site was originally recorded in 1948 by F.A. Riddell, and updated in 1992, by David Kayser of the BLM.



PRIORITY

(RS# 03-028)

There are (6) six recorded cultural resources and one reported, but not recorded bedrock mortar site within a $\frac{1}{2}$ mile radius. Four of the six sites contain rock art panels, and the other two contained bedrock mortars and lithic scatters.

There are no cultural resources within the project area that are listed in the National Register of Historic Places, the California Register, the California State Historic Landmarks, the California Inventory of Historic Resources or the California Points of Historic Interest.

COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

We understand this project consists of the reduction of a number of homes in the Kelso Creek floodplain area and the possible removal of the levee, located near Weldon, Kern County, CA.

Given the proximity of known cultural resources, and human remains, we recommend that a qualified professional archaeologist conduct a field survey of all undeveloped portions of the project area. Any structures more than 45 years old should be evaluated for architectural and/or historical significance by a qualified professional architectural historian prior to their removal.

SHPO will make the final determination regarding the above recommendations and notify you accordingly. Please let us know if we may be of further assistance.

By

Adele Baldwin
Assistant Coordinator

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Date: February 3, 2003

Fee: \$180.00/hr. (Priority Service)

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INVOICE # A2101

Kern County Water Agency Purchase Order # 27574

PRIORITY

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT BAKERSFIELD DISTRICT

Report Number: CA-016-SSF-081.

Resource Area: Caliente Resource Area

Planning Area: Southern Sierra

CULTURAL RESOURCE INVENTORY REPORT



Project Name: Moreland Exchange.

Project Number:

Project Description: Land exchange. A small parcel of 56.25 acres of public land is to be transferred from public to private ownership.

Project Location: T:27S.,R:35E., Section NE1/4 Section 5.

U.S.G.S Quad(s): Cane Canyon 7.5", 1972.

County: Kern.

Geographic Area: Southern Sierras.

<u>Brief Description of Area and Environment</u>: The land parcel to be exchanged is located within the Kelso Creek valley of the Southern Sierra Nevada Mountains of central California. The locale at an elevation of some 3000 feet is semi-arid in climate and vegetation. The sandy soils of the locale supports a thin growth of upland desert grasses, bushes, and forbes. Nearby are fairly extensive groves of Joshua Trees, an occasional prickly pear cactus, and narrow-leaf yuccas.

The locale is presently under a mineral claim for material removal. A large portion (about 75%) of the land parcel has been previously disturbed by the removal of the pit material, and the construction of various buildings and features of the gravel operation.

Inventory Description (methodology, problems, reliability, coverage): One archeologist walked narrow five meter (15 feet) wide parallel transects across the undisturbed areas of the parcel. The disturbed areas of the parcel were visually inspected by 15 meter (45 feet) wide transect. Ground surface visibility was excellent as plant cover was less than ten percent of the total surface. A total of 56.25 acres was inventoried to BLM Class III standards.

<u>Description of Findings (include previously recorded sites)</u>: No cultural materials were identified during the inspection. One previously recorded site (CA-KER-023) is recorded as being about a half mile to the north of the project area. This site will not be affected by the project.

<u>Potential/Actual National Register Sites</u>: No sites eligible for the National Register of Historic Places are within the "Area of Potential Effect" of the proposed land exchange.

<u>Project Impact on Sites</u>: No impacts to cultural resources are anticipated. No residual impacts are anticipated. No mitigation is required for the project.

Recommendations (comments, stipulations, etc.): The findings of the inspection of the surface of the land parcel to be exchanged are that no cultural resources are present, and that the exchange of the land parcel from public to private ownership will not affect "Historic Properties".

A prudent and reasonable **stipulation** to be added to the title is that if subsurface cultural resources are discovered during mineral operations then a qualified archeologist is to be contacted and a formal assessment made to the appropriate county and state officials.

NADB# 1141122

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR **BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT** BAKERSFIELD DISTRICT

Report Number: CA-016-SSF-99 Resource Area: Caliente R.A.

Planning Area: South Sierra Foothills

CULTURAL RESOURCE INVENTORY REPORT

Project Name: Moreland Land Exchange

Project Number:

KE-00139

Project Description: The Moreland Mill Site is proposed for exchange.

Project Location: T. 27S., R. 35E.,

Section 5

Base Mer. MDBM

Legals:

E1/2SW1/4NE1/4. W1/2SE1/4NE1/4, W1/2NE1/4SE1/4NE1/4, W1/2SE1/4SE1/4NE1/4.

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Cane Canyon?5'

U.S.G.S Quad(s):

Cane Canyon 7.5'

Isabella Lake 1:100,000

Geographic Area: Kelso Valley Area

County: Kern

Brief Description of Area and Environment: The land parcel to be exchanged is located east of Kelso Creek within the Kelso Valley on a ridge between the drainages of Cholla Canyon and Cane Canyon. The parcel is located at an elevation between 2940' and 3000'. The climate is semi-arid desert and it falls under the cloud shadow of the Piute Mountains. The decomposed granite and clay soils of the area supports a thin growth of upland desert grasses, bushes, forbes, cactus and groves of Joshua trees.

The area considered for exchange from Federal holding has been previously impacted by residences, storage facilities, mill structures, piles of ore and a tailings pond. The mill was only operational for a short period in 1986.

Inventory Description (methodology, problems, reliability, coverage): One archeologist, Kathleen Lamb, walked 5 to 7 meter transects over the entire 50 acres. The survey required 2 days to complete. The days were clear and the ground surface was visible over 80% of the time. The survey coverage was complete and done to Class III standards.

Description of Findings (include previously recorded sites): Two sites were discovered during the survey: one site contains two granite bedrock grinding slicks and the other site has one grinding slick surface. Only one artifact, a chalcedony flake 12mm x 9mm, was observed. Due to the distance away from either site, it is considered an isolated find.

The Moreland Mill, on site manager/employee housing (3 mobile homes) and the tailings pond were all constructed after 1984.

KER 23, a recorded rock art site, is located one mile to the north. Two unrecorded sites are located over a .3 of a mile to the east of the project.

At the request of the BLM, the Archeological Information Center housed at California State University Bakersfield researched the sites and surveys undertaken within one half mile of the project. Previous cultural surveys in the area are: CA-016-S-KR-118, CA-016-SSF-72 and CA-016-SSF-81.

Potential/Actual National Register Sites: No sites eligible for the National Register of Historic Places are identified within area. The sites found during this cultural resource inventory remain to

Cane Canyon 7,5'

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NADB DOC# 1140280

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR **BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT** BAKERSFIELD DISTRICT

Report Number: Ca-016-SSF-72

Resource: Caliente R.A.

Planning Area: Southern Sierras

CULTURAL RESOURCE INVENTORY REPORT

Project Name: Kelso Valley Borrow Pit Fence

Project Number:

Project Description: A barbed wire fence is to be erected between the southern edge of the Kelso Valley Community Pit (soil and gravels) and a Joshua Tree grove. The fence will protect the trees from impacts of using the pit.

Project Location: T: 26S R: 35E

Section(s)

MD BM

U.S.G.S. Quad(s): Cane Canyon

County: Kern

1972

Geographic Area: Southern Sierras, Kelso Valley

Brief Description of Area and Environment: Joshua Tree forest and grasslands in the Southern

Sierra foothills on the Cholla Arroyo of Kelso Valley. Biotic is semi-arid high desert/mountain foothills.

Inventory Description (methodology, problems, reliability, coverage): Two archaeologists walked the centerline of the proposed fence; area covered 10 meters either side of the centerline 600 m. (60' by 1760'). The inventory was conducted on an early fall morning with a partial cloud cover and mild breeze. Ground vegetation covered less then 20% of the surface. Reliability is high. Coverage: Class III/100%.

Description of Findings (include previously recorded sites): No cultural resources within the fence project Area of Potential Effects (APE). Two archaeological sites (one 600' and the other 1760' away) should not be effected by the project. ** #15(?)

Potential/Actual National Register Sites: None within project APE.

Project Impact on Sites: No anticipated impacts.

Recommendations (comments, stipulations, etc.): Cultural clearance is recommended for the fence project. Standard stipulation applies.

Date of Inventory: September 23, 1992

Date of Report: September 24, 1992

Title: Archaeologist

Signature: Dand Ukayaar

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CLASS II CULTURAL RESOURCE INVENTORY
FOR THE
SOUTH SIERRA FOOTHILLS PLANNING AREA

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Prepared by

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June, 1985

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR **BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT BAKERSFIELD DISTRICT**

Report Number: Ca- 016-SSF-site-73

Resource Area: Caliente R. A. Planning Area: South Sierras

CULTURAL RESOURCE INVENTORY REPORT

Project Name: Cholla Rock Shelter (9-15-0000 23)

Project Number:

Project Description: Recordation of Rock Shelter, Rock Art, Metate slicks and Bed Rock Mortars.

Project Location: T: 26S R: 35E

Section(s) SW1/4 32

U.S.G.S. Quad(s): Cane Canyon 7.5'

1972 SBBM

County: Kern

Geographic Area: Southern Sierras, East of Cholla

arroyo.

Brief Description of Area and Environment: Site is located on the east side of the Kelso creek where the Cholla arroyo drains into it. The soil is decomposed granite and clay and there is a granite outcrop to the east of this junction. The area is high desert semi-arid. The plant community is high desert with Joshua trees, Cholla, Bevertail, Bunch grasses, annual grasses, Buck wheat, Mormon tea, Salt bush, Golden head, Burrow brush, Rice grass, Thistle, Sage, Red brome and Spiny hop sage.

Inventory Description (methodology, problems, reliability, coverage): Site Recordation.

Description of Findings (include previously recorded sites): Rock shelter, Rock art, 7 Grinding slicks and 2 Bed rock mortars.

Potential/Actual National Register Sites: Not accessed at this time.

Project Impact on Sites: NA

Projects Inventories in Area: Borrow Pit Ca-01-S-KR-29, Drift fence (Joshua Tree protection) Ca-016-SSF-72 and Sample Unit Ca-016-SSF-Su-43.

Recommendations (comments, stipulations, etc.): Site is on BLM property.

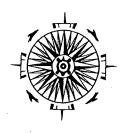
Date of Inventory: September 23, 1992

Date of Report: September 29, 1992

Signature: DoubWeakset Title: Archaeologist

associated with P-15-000023

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October 14, 2000

Mr. Thomas Taylor Senior Archaeologist Environmental Affairs Division Southern California Edison Company

Southern San Joaquin Valley ARCHAEOLOGICAL INFORMATION CENTER CAL STATE UNIVERSITY, BAKERSFIELD 9001 STOCKDALE HIGHWAY BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA 93311-1099

Re: Kernville Deteriorated Pole Replacement Project, Kern and Tulare Counties

On September 1 and 2, 2000, Compass Rose Archaeological, Inc. conducted a Phase I survey for Southern California Edison, at 21 locations for the Kernville Deteriorated Pole Replacement Project. The proposed project entails the replacement of the deteriorated wooden poles along existing circuits in and around the communities of Glenville, Kernville, Lake Isabella, Squirrel Mountain Valley, Weldon, Wofford Heights, and near the Poso Flats and Walker Basin areas of Kern and Tulare Counties. The project consists of individual pole replacement locations (stations) and groups of stations on seven different circuits. They include nine stations (STA) on the Jordan 12kV circuit (STA-1/2 through 9/10, -29/30, and -35/36 through -39/40), six on the Mustang 12kV (STA-11/12 through -21/22), two on the Bonanza 12kV (STA-23/24 and -31/32), and one each on the Flying D 12kV (STA-25/26), Tungsten 12kV (STA-27/28), Canebreak 12kv (STA-33/34), and Intake 16kV (STA-41/42) circuits (Figures 1-8).

This project was undertaken in accordance with the revised California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) guidelines and the revised Section 106 guidelines of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA 1966, as amended). The investigation was conducted to determine if cultural resources exist within the project areas/Area of Potential Effects (APE), and to make preliminary recommendations regarding the potential significance of archaeological properties according to the California Register of Historical Resources and the National Register of Historic Places. The study included a review of site archives, historical maps, and documents of the project area that are maintained at the Southern San Joaquin Valley

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A PHASE I CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY FOR PARCEL MAP 10782, KERN COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

Submitted to:

Richard Carr, Surveyor 10900 Meacham Road Bakersfield, California 93309

Keywords:

Weldon 7.5' Quadrangle, Kern County, California Environmental Quality Act

Submitted by:

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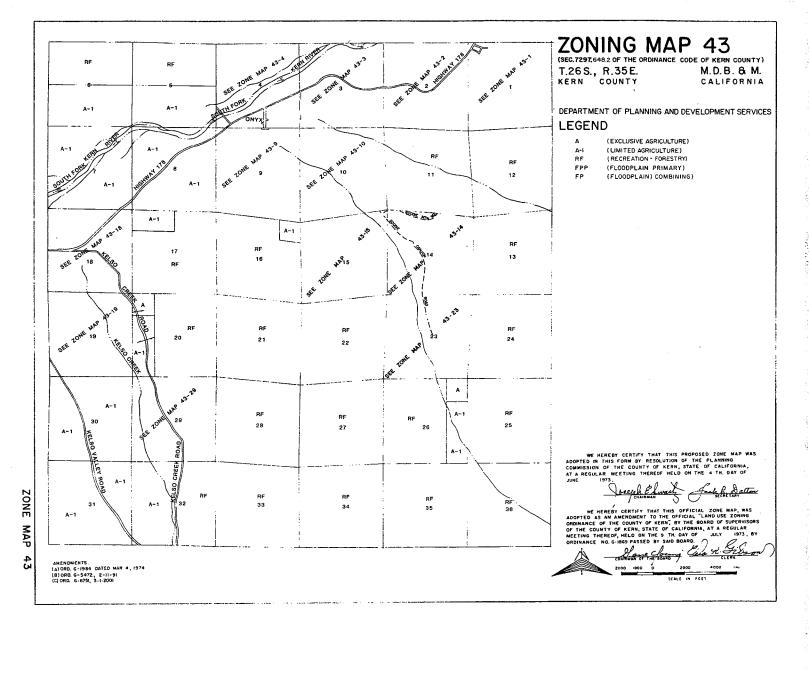
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April 2002

IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. #3, KELSO VALLEY PROPERTY PURCHASE

APPENDIX "D"

ZONING DESIGNATION



IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. #3, KELSO VALLEY PROPERTY PURCHASE

APPENDIX "C"

POPULATION AND HOUSING

Totzke, Kane

From:

Southern Sierra Properties [ssp@southern-sierra.com]

Sent:

Tuesday, January 28, 2003 6:13 AM

To:

ktotzke@kcwa.com

Subject: Re: Housing vacancies

Kane,

As of today there are 153 homes and mobilehomes on land there are currently listed for sale in the Kern River Valley.

Warm Regards,

Tom Poplawski



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2204855	8,900	1	1	600	-	<u>-</u>	A/MR
2204814	10,900	1	1	576	-	-	A/MR
2204859	13,600	1	1	720	-	-	A/MO
2204876	16,500	2	2	900	0.311 Acres	Weldon	A/MO
2204662	18,000	2	1	720	-	_	A/MR
2204536	18,000	2	1.75	1296	-	-	P/MR
2204572	19,500	$\frac{1}{2}$	1.75	1080	-	-	P/MR
2203753	19,900	2	1	550	-	-	A/MO
2204523	19,900	$\frac{1}{2}$	1 .	720	0.14 Acres	Lake Isabella	P/MO
2204853	21,500	1	ī	576	-	-	A/MO
2203516	22,000	1	1	432	0.529 Acres	Weldon	A/MO
2202114	22,000	2	1	500	0.17 Acres	Wofford Heights	A/MO
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2204848	25,000	3	0.75	468	0.206 Acres	Lake Isabella	A/MO
2204813	29,000	1	1	680	0.317 Acres	Wofford Heights	P/MO
<u>2204774</u>	29,000	$\hat{2}$	1	800	-	-	A/MO
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<u>2204096</u>	45,000	1	1	384		Wofford Heights	
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<u>2204804</u> <u>2204724</u>	65,000	2	î	750	0.57 Acres	Bodfish	P/SF
2204085	68,500	3	1.75	1091	-	<u>-</u>	A/SF
2204065 2204361	69,000	1	1	1452	_	_	A/SF
2204 <u>726</u>	69,000	2	1	800	0.15 Acres	Kernville	A/SF
2204126 2204146	69,900	2	1.5	956	6825 SqFt	-	A/SF
2204740 2204731	69,900	2 2	1.5	1257	0.169 Acres	Mt. Mesa	P/SF
2204745	69,900	2	1.75	1302	0.149 Acres	Lake Isabella	A/SF
2204867	74,000	2	1.5	1600	0.172 Acres	Lake Isabella	A/SF
2204102	74,000	2 3	1.75	1039	-	-	A/SF
2204727	75,000	3	2	1302	0.172 Acres	Lake Isabella	A/SF
$\frac{2201727}{2202274}$	75,000	4	4	1754	0.174 Acres	Lake Isabella	P/MF
2204762	79,000	2	0.75	600	0.23 Acres	Wofford Heights	s P/SF
2204685	79,000	2	1.75	1020		-	A/SF
2204680	79,000	3	1	1088	2.501 Acres	Bodfish	A/SF
2204596	79,000	3	2	1216	0.17 Acres	Lake Isabella	P/SF
2204868	79,500	1	0.75	778	2.5 Acres	Other Areas	A/SF
2203446	79,500		2	912	0.17 Acres	Lake Isabella	A/SF
2204735	79,900	2 3 2	2.75	1617	0.15 Acres	Lake Isabella	A/SF
2204640	83,000	2	2	1448	0.141 Acres	Lake Isabella	A/SF
2204316	84,500		1	1040	0.12 Acres	Wofford Height	s A/SF
2204625	85,000	3	2	1872	0.33 Acres	Lake Isabella	A/SF
2204830	87,500	2 3 2	1	1176	0.42 Acres	Mt. Mesa	A/SF
2204391	88,500	3	1.75	1410	0.132 Acres	Wofford Height	
2204281	89,000	6	3	2400	0.552 Acres	Onyx	A/MF
2204654	89,000	6	3	2400	0.55 Acres	Onyx	A/MF
2203754	89,500	2	1	858	-	-	A/MF
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	04164	89,900	2 2	1 1	900 877	Acres	Wofford Heights Wofford Heights	A/SF P/SF
	04818	90,000	2	1.5	1120	0.206 Acres 0.96 Acres	Squirrel Valley	A/SF
	01890 04675	92,000 99,500	3	1.5	1060	0.96 Acres	Kernville	A/SF
	04075 04700	99,300	2	1	832	0.13 Acres 0.136 Acres	Kernville	A/SF
	04700 04679	100,000	1	0.75	1098	U.130 Acres	Kenivine	P/SF
	04689	100,000	3	1.75	1450	0.149 Acres	Kernville	P/SF
	04863	110,000	3	1.75	1075	2.92 Acres	Bodfish	A/SF
	04847	115,000	2	1.73	1120	2.904 Acres	Squirrel Valley	A/SF
	04752	115,000	2	1.5	1363	0.17 Acres	Bodfish	P/SF
	04423	115,000	3	1.75	1850	0.19 Acres	Lake Isabella	A/SF
	04736	115,500	3	1.75	1616	-	-	A/SF
	04781	117,000	3	1.75	2128	0.283 Acres	Lake Isabella	A/SF
	04844	119,000	2	1.5	1000	0.149 Acres	Kernville	A/SF
	04465	119,000	2	1.75	2100	0.177 Acres	Mt. Mesa	A/SF
	04255	119,000	3	1.75	1196	0.17 Acres	Wofford Heights	P/SF
	04633	119,500	2	1.75	1636	-	_	A/SF
22	04501	119,500	3	1.75	1450	0.17 Acres	Bodfish	A/SF
22	04673	119,900	3	1.5	1360	0.468 Acres	Wofford Heights	A/SF
220	04722	119,900	4	1	1440	0.33 Acres	Wofford Heights	P/SF
220	04355	128,000	2	1.75	1216	-	-	P/SF
<u>22</u> 0	<u>03844</u>	129,900	2	1	937	1.13 Acres	Wofford Heights	A/SF
22	04772	129,900	3	2	2221	-	-	A/SF
220	<u>04674</u>	132,000	3	2	1752	0.331 Acres	Squirrel Valley	P/SF
220	04315	135,000	3	1.75	1900	0.41 Acres	Kernville	A/SF
	<u>04148</u>	136,000	2	2	1365	1.42 Acres	Lake Isabella	P/SF
	04188	137,500	3	2	1450	-	-	A/SF
	04811	139,500	3	1.5	1382	-	_	A/SF
	<u>04849</u>	139,700	3	1.75	1390	0.324 Acres	Squirrel Valley	A/SF
	02394	139,900	3	2	1560	-	-	P/SF
	04738	149,500	1	1	594	47 Acres	Havilah	A/SF
	04582	149,900	8	4	2496	0.372 Acres	Wofford Heights	A/MF
	04381	154,000	3	2	1593	0.28 Acres	Kernville	P/SF
	04846	155,000	3	2	1470	0.217 Acres	Wofford Heights	P/SF
	04729	155,000	3	2	1744	0.287 Acres	Mt. Mesa Squirrel Valley	P/SF
	04632	157,500	4	1	1989 1152	0.84 Acres 10 Acres	Havilah	A/SF A/SF
	04809 04155	160,000 162,500	2 2	2 3	1350	1.65 Acres	Wofford Heights	P/SF
	<u>04155</u> 04595	162,300	3	2	1650	0.25 Acres	Squirrel Valley	P/SF
	04393 04704	168,950	3	2.25	1396	0.23 Acres	Squirer valley	A/SF
	04869	169,000	3	2.23	1824	_	<u>-</u>	A/SF
	04005 04124	169,000	3	2	2986	1 Acres	Lake Isabella	P/SF
	$\frac{04124}{04416}$	169,000	5	2	2000	0.9 Acres	Mt. Mesa	P/SF
	04416 04826	169,900	2	2	1328	-	-	A/SF
	04749	179,900	2 2	1.75	2266	-	-	A/SF
	04262	190,000	3	1.75	1398	82.5 Acres	Onyx	P/SF
	04733	209,000	2	1.75	2106	2 Acres	Lake Isabella	P/SF
	04199	209,000	3	1.75	1753	1.16 Acres	Kernville	A/SF
	04433	209,500	3	3	3590	-	-	A/SF
	02499	210,000	2	1	3020	-	-	A/MF
220	<u>04179</u>	220,000	3	2	1650	-	-	P/SF

2204578	225,000	3	2	1850	0.84 Acres	Squirrel Valley	A/SF
2204874	225,000	3	2.5	1976	-	-	A/SF
<u>2204616</u>	235,000	3	1.75	2050	0.83 Acres	Squirrel Valley	A/SF
<u>2204875</u>	239,000	3	3	2238	0.23 Acres	Wofford Heights	A/SF
<u>2204524</u>	248,000	4	2.5	1930	1.5 Acres	Wofford Heights	A/SF
<u>2204782</u>	249,500	3	2	1498	20.47 Acres	Onyx	A/SF
<u>2204271</u>	259,000	3	2	2819	10.3 Acres	Southlake	A/SF
2203530	265,000	3	3	1900	0.449 Acres	Kernville	P/SF
<u>2204748</u>	274,000	2	3.5	2274	4.84 Acres	Lake Isabella	A/SF
<u>2204242</u>	284,000	3	2.75	2469		-	A/SF
<u>2201025</u>	289,000	2	1	4480	1.03 Acres	Lake Isabella	A/MF
<u>2204182</u>	298,000	3	2	2200	2.08 Acres	Squirrel Valley	P/SF
<u>2204884</u>	298,000	3	3	4000	11 Acres	Bodfish	A/SF
<u>2204883</u>	298,000	3	3	4000	-	-	A/SF
2204331	299,500	4	2.75	2368	2.14 Acres	Squirrel Valley	A/SF
<u>2204615</u>	299,900	3	2.5	3371	2.5 Acres	Squirrel Valley	A/SF
<u>2203205</u>	365,000	3	3	1960	0.22 Acres	Kernville	A/SF
<u>2204190</u>	398,000	3	2	3076	0.27 Acres	Kernville	A/SF
<u>2203950</u>	398,000	4	3	3300	0.34 Acres	Kernville	P/SF
<u>2203434</u>	459,000	2	2	2276	38.8 Acres	Kernville	A/SF
2204100	475,000	6	6.5	2808	-	-	P/SF
<u>2203075</u>	595,000	3	3	2020	1.8 Acres	Kernville	A/SF
<u>2204000</u>	625,000	1	1	1440	160 Acres	Weldon	A/SF
2204338	649,000	4	3.5	3262	2.53 Acres	Kernville	A/SF

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